B. AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

None.

C. AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

In order to better assist the Examiner with the prosecution of the case, the current

pending claims have been included in their entirety for which reconsideration is requested.

1. (TWICE AMENDED) A method for displaying, at a client, transient messages received over a network, the method comprising:

capturing, independently of a user action, at different times, at least two screen images a plurality of separate screen images having at least one multimedia object of a plurality of different multimedia objects each containing at least one transient message rendered on a display at the client;

storing each captured screen image in a chronological list; and

displaying the chronological list with control buttons for enabling a subsequent rendering of the stored screen captured images in at least one of a forward and backward succession, at a user configurable rate, in response to a user selection of a control button of one of the displayed control buttons, wherein the displayed control buttons are independent of any playback control displayed in conjunction with initially rendering a given multimedia object from which the screen images were captured.

2. (TWICE AMENDED) The method of claim 1 wherein the control button controls buttons control rendering the stored

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